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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
COLUMBIA
NEW HAMPSHIRE
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31
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Officers

Selectmen

LYNN PARKHURST, Chm.	Term Expires 1969
ELERY ADAIR	Term Expires 1970
RAY PLACY, Jr.	Term Expires 1971

Moderator

KENNETH A. PARKHURST

Town Clerk

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST

Treasurer

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST

Tax Collector

ELIZABETH ADAIR

Supervisors

MABEL SIMS	Term Expires 1972
ETHEL FRIZZELL	Term Expires 1970

Trustees of Trust Funds

HARRY LANG	Term Expires 1970
LEW WALLACE	Term Expires 1969

Auditors

ANNIE FRIZZELL	THERESA PERRY
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Budget

ESTIMATED INCOME

Railroad Tax	\$ 259.34
Savings Bank Tax	36.51
Yield Taxes	4,584.40
Meals & Room Tax	750.00
Filing Fees	5.00
Dog Licenses	60.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	2,800.00
Rent on Town Property	120.00
Poll Taxes	338.00
Cash Surplus	8,000.00
Total	\$16,953.25

APPROPRIATIONS

	Raised 1968	Spent 1968	Estimated 1969
Town Charges	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,848.56	\$3,500.00
Fires	1,000.00	1,738.57	1,000.00
Winter Roads	5,000.00	5,678.91	
Summer Roads	3,500.00	1,365.80	3,500.00
Bridges & Culverts	500.00	2,868.56	1,000.00
Town Poor	2,200.00	877.26	2,200.00
Old Age Assistance	1,300.00	1,310.00	1,300.00
Town Road Aid	563.14	563.14	559.73
Cemeteries	500.00	275.00	500.00
Regional Association	100.43	100.43	
Conn. Valley Hosp. Ass'n	700.00	700.00	
Community Services	441.00	441.00	
Town Hall Repairs	600.00	525.67	
Total	\$20,404.57	\$20,292.90	

Less Estimate Income	16,953.25
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Net Town Appropriations	3,451.32
School Appropriations	20,516.58
County Tax	3,677.29
War Service Credits	1,300.00
Overlay	1,063.15

GROSS PROPERTY TAXES

TO BE RAISED	\$30,008.34
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INVOICE OF PROPERTY

Land	\$180,293.00
Buildings	379,200.00
Electric Plants	80,690.00
Mobile Homes	9,000.00
Stock In Trade	9,000.00
Machinery	15,350.00
Cows (408)	51,000.00
Neat Stock (52)	5,140.00
Poultry (4300)	1,720.00
Gas Pumps & Tanks	900.00
Wood and Lumber	5,980.00

TOTAL	\$738,273.00
Neatstock Exemptions	\$ 6,000.00
Poultry Exemptions	350.00

TOTAL EXEMPTIONS	6,350.00
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NET VALUATION	\$731,923.00
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TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR:

Gross Property Taxes	\$30,008.34
Less Est. War Serv. Cr.	1,300.00
Net Property Taxes Com.	28,708.34
Poll Taxes	338.00

COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR	\$ 29,046.34
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TAX RATE – \$4.10

Municipal	\$.78
County	.51
School	2.81

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash in hand of Treasurer January 1, 1969 \$36,912.05

Unredeemed Taxes:

1968	1,012.97
1967	37.41
1966	310.34
Previous Years	89.24

Uncollected Taxes:

1968	\$ 324.12
1967	46.16
1966	none
Previous Years	none
Unpaid Head Taxes	35.00

TOTAL \$41,767.29

Unpaid Bills:

School District \$20,516.58

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall	\$ 5,000.00
Furniture & Equipment	500.00
Library Furniture & Equipment	500.00
Highway Department — Land & Building	2,500.00
Equipment	14,700.00
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	\$23,200.00

Selectmen's Report

RECEIPTS

State of New Hampshire, Bounties	\$ 20.75
State of New Hampshire, Railroad tax	259.34
State of New Hampshire, Savings Bank Tax	36.51
State of New Hampshire, Class V Highways	3,548.40
State of New Hampshire, Meals & Rooms Tax	748.92
Rex Parrish, Rent	110.00
Town Clerk, Auto Permits	4,130.39
Town Clerk, Dog Licenses	68.00
Town Clerk, Filing Fees	5.00
Tax Collector	36,813.33
Miscellaneous	83.70

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$45,824.34

PAYMENTS

Officers' Salaries

Lynn Parkhurst, Selectman	\$ 150.00
Elery Adair, Selectman	150.00
Ray Placy, Jr. Selectman	150.00
Kenneth A. Parkhurst, Moderator	30.00
Annie Frizzell, Auditor	20.00
Theresa Perry, Auditor	20.00
Mabel Sims, Supervisor	60.00
Mary White, Supervisor	45.00
Ethel Frizzell, Supervisor	35.00
Wendell Hughes, Supervisor	25.00
Elizabeth Adair, Tax Collector	150.00
Isabelle M. Parkhurst, Town Clerk	150.00
Isabelle M. Parkhurst, Treasurer	150.00
Milton Adair, Overseer of the Poor	35.00

TOTAL \$ 1,170.00

Officers' Expenses

Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	\$ 20.40
Wheeler & Clark, Supplies	5.95
News & Sentinel, Notices	52.45
Town Clerk Ass'n, Dues	6.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., Supplies	12.75
Willard Covioe, Town Reports	301.40
Andrew R. George, Bonds	82.00
Register of Deeds, Cards	39.00
Register of Probate20
Branham Publishing Co. Supplies	7.90
Isabelle M. Parkhurst, Supplies & Exp.	103.65
Lynn Parkhurst, Expenses	6.99
Lynn Parkhurst, Timber Tax	75.00
Isabelle M. Parkhurst, Reg., Permits & Rec.	523.60
Milton Adair, Expenses	4.00
Elizabeth Adair, Expenses	251.21
Technical Publication	3.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,495.50

Town Buildings

Public Service Co.	\$ 22.20
N. H. Elec. Coop. Co. Inc.	62.41
L. Parkhurst & Sons, repairs	10.40
Adair Construction, Painting Town Hall	525.67
Myra Brooks, labor	9.60
Marion Stanley, labor	9.60
Sydney Brooks, labor	7.50
Bradley Stanley, labor	7.50
Garry Parkhurst, labor	7.50
Madelyn Parkhurst, labor & exp.	18.27
Isabelle Parkhurst, labor & exp.	20.01
TOTAL	\$ 700.66

Winter Roads

Colebrook Oil Co.	\$ 16.95
Gerard Richards, welding	9.00
Couture Motor Sales	95.67
R. C. Hazelton Co., parts	491.02
Stewart Rainville, plowing	623.50
Harold Perry, plowing	949.75

Ray Placy, Jr., plowing	338.75
Erwin Parkhurst, plowing	15.00
Francis Chapple, plowing	642.25
Lewis Oil Co.	459.04
Gulf Oil Co.	33.89
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Express Charges	26.11
Brooks Auto Supplies	38.16
Walter Klebe	12.00
Hicks Hardware	12.64
L. Parkhurst & Sons, parts & labor	29.54
Hercules Lemieux	3.50
La Perle's Auto Service	23.31
Daniel Hebert	6.84
State of New Hampshire	50.48
Nugent Motor Co. grading	160.00
Nugent Motor Co. sanding	1,600.00
Crest Auto Inc.	41.51
TOTAL	\$ 5,678.91

Summer Roads

Nugent Motor Co.	\$ 565.55
Nil Champagne	40.00
L. Parkhurst & Son	244.80
Frederick Stewart, labor	60.00
Sheldon Gray	159.95
Ray Placy, Jr.	119.00
Harold Perry, labor	81.00
George Gould	79.50
Hazen Goodrum, labor	16.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,365.80

Fires

Lynn Parkhurst, Exp.	\$ 6.00
Stewart Rainville, Young Fire	21.00
Arthur Gould, Young Fire	24.00
Lynn Parkhurst, Young Fire	16.00
Ray Placy, Jr., Young Fire	16.00
Harold Perry, Young Fire	30.00
Clifton Cilley, Young Fire	17.00
Kenneth Stanley, Young Fire	29.00
Erwin Parkhurst, Young Fire	50.00
Kenneth Parkhurst, Young Fire	73.58
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Young Fire	32.85

Town of Columbia, New Hampshire

Colebrook Fire Department	1,381.04
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Exp Fire Pump	30.10
Kenneth Stanley, Parker Fire	12.00

TOTAL \$ 1,738.57

Town Poor

State of New Hampshire, H. Reynolds	\$ 612.66
Hitchcock Clinic, L. Smith	264.60

TOTAL \$ 877.26

Old Age Assistance

State of New Hampshire, Reynolds, Sims,	
Parrish, Warner	\$ 1,310.56

Cemeteries

Auray Poulin	\$ 275.00
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Bounties

Elery Adair	\$ 4.00
Robert Murphy	10.50
Michael Murphy	5.00
Ray Placy, Jr.	8.00

TOTAL \$ 27.50

Bridges & Culverts

Nugent Motor Co.	\$ 68.32
Frederick Stewart, labor	28.00
B. C. Nugent	69.00
L. Parkhurst & Sons, labor & tractor	938.92
Washburn Lumber Co.	150.00
Adair Construction	1,614.32

TOTAL \$ 2,868.56

Elections & Registrations

Willard Covioe, Ballots	\$ 9.50
Juanita Adair, Ballot Clerk	21.00
Edith Clark, Ballot Clerk	21.00

TOTAL \$ 51.50

Miscellaneous

Marshall & Kent, Inc.	\$ 236.40
Concord General Mutual	51.00
Andrew R. George	16.00
Town of Stratford, Use of Dump	50.00

Town of Columbia, New Hampshire

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Town of Colebrook, Use of Dump	50.00
Upper Conn. Valley Hosp. Ass'n.	700.00
North Country Community Services	441.00
Coos County Treasurer, County Tax	3,677.29
Taxes Bought by Town	1,012.97
White Mt. Regional Ass'n.	100.43
Annie Frizzell, School Dist.	28,755.27
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State of N. H., Bond & Ret. Tax	404.69
State of N. H., Town Road Aid	563.14
State of N. H., Head Taxes	900.00
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TOTAL	\$36,958.19
TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$54,518.01

Town Clerk's Report

During the year ending December 31, 1968, I have recorded in this office 2 Births, 9 Marriages and 5 Deaths.

Licenses were paid to me on 34 dogs for a total of \$68.00. I have received \$5.00 in filing fees, and have issued motor vehicle permits amounting to \$4,130.39. All amounts have been deposited to the Town Treasurer.

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST

Town Clerk

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand January 1, 1968	\$45,607.72
Received from all sources	45,824.34
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	\$91,432.06
Less Selectmen's Orders	54,518.01
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Cash on Hand January 1, 1969	\$36,914.05

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST

Treasurer

Tax Collector's Report

SUMMARY OF WARRANT PROPERTY, POLL and YIELD TAXES Levy of 1968

Debits

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property taxes	\$28,817.45
Poll taxes	338.00
Yield taxes	5,501.28

Total Warrant	\$34,656.73
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Added Taxes

Property taxes	56.17
Poll taxes	6.00
Costs & Interest	11.14

Interest Collected	121.20
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TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$34,851.24</u>
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Credits

Remittances to Treasurer

Property Taxes	\$28,832.62
Poll Taxes	328.00
Yield Taxes	5,187.16
Interest Collected	121.20

	\$34,468.98
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Abatements

Property Taxes	41.00
Poll Taxes	6.00
Interest & Costs	11.14

	58.14
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Uncollected Dec. 31, 1968

Property Taxes	none
Poll Taxes	10.00
Yield Taxes	314.12

 324.12

 TOTAL CREDITS \$34,851.24

Uncollected Poll Taxes

Mae Ellingwood	\$ 2.00
Barbara Swift	2.00
Marcel Merier	2.00
Bradley Smith	2.00
Jacqueline Cass	2.00

 \$ 10.00

Uncollected Yield Taxes

Leon Chaloux and son . . . \$ 314.12

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS – DEC. 31, 1968.

Debits

	1968	Tax Sales Levies of:		Prev. Yrs.
		1967	1966	
Taxes sold to Town during current year	\$1,012.97	\$	\$	\$
Unredeemed taxes				
January 1, 1968		816.40	573.47	148.73
Interest collected after sale		22.55	23.73	10.42
Total Debits	<u>\$1,012.97</u>	<u>\$ 838.95</u>	<u>\$ 597.20</u>	<u>\$ 159.15</u>

Credits

Remittances to treas. during year	\$	\$ 778.99	\$ 263.13	\$ 59.49
Interest Collected		22.55	23.73	10.42
Unredeemed at close of yr.	1,012.97	37.41	310.34	89.24
Total Credits	<u>\$1,012.97</u>	<u>\$ 838.95</u>	<u>\$ 597.20</u>	<u>\$ 159.15</u>

Unredeemed taxes from tax sales				Prev. Yrs.
	1968	1967	1966	
Grossman Homes	\$ 25.74	\$	\$	
Tempered Maple Corp. . .	20.58			
Dexter Weare ital.	11.30			
Mrs. Earl Tilton	13.37			
A. M. Bean	37.48			
Myron Holden Est.	25.74			
Gerard Richards	312.77			
Samuel Marsh	10.56			
Glenville Washburn	82.12			
Stewart Phillips	124.10			
Charles Haynes Est.	28.34	37.41		
Verne Reynolds	320.87		310.34	
Evangeline Sweatt				29.12
Clarence Goodrum				60.12
	<u>\$1,012.97</u>	<u>\$ 37.41</u>	<u>\$ 310.34</u>	<u>\$ 89.24</u>

"I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of Dec. 31, 1968 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

ELIZABETH ADAIR
Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANT Property, Poll and Yield Taxes Levy of 1967

Debits		
Uncollected as of January 1, 1968.		
Property taxes	\$ 5.47	
Poll taxes	28.00	
Yield taxes	63.96	
	<u> </u>	\$ 97.43
Added taxes		
Property taxes	\$ 16.25	
Poll taxes	16.00	
	<u> </u>	
		32.25
Interest Collected . . .		2.02
		<u> </u>
TOTAL DEBITS		<u><u>\$ 131.70</u></u>

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer

Property taxes	\$ 21.72
Poll taxes	34.00
Yield taxes	19.80
Interest Collected . . .	2.02

\$ 77.54

Abatements

Poll taxes	\$ 8.00
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1968	
Poll taxes	\$ 2.00
Yield taxes	44.16

\$ 54.16

TOTAL CREDITS . . . \$ 131.70

Uncollected Poll tax

Marlene Reynolds . . .	\$ 2.00
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Uncollected Yield tax

Louis Grandmaison . . .	\$ 44.16
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Summary of Warrant**State Head Tax,****Levy of 1968****Debits****State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:**

Original Warrant	\$1,025.00
Added taxes & costs	26.00

Total Commitment	\$1,051.00
Penalties Collected	6.00

Total Debits \$1,057.00

Credits**Remittances to Treasurer:**

Head Taxes	\$1,005.00
Penalties	6.00
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\$1,011.00

Abatements	11.00
Uncollected head tax . .	35.00
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Total Credits	<u>\$1,057.00</u>
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Uncollected Head tax as of Dec. 31, 1968

Leland Ellingwood \$	5.00
Mae Ellingwood	5.00
Barbara Swift	5.00
Walter Chapple	5.00
Marcel Merier	5.00
Bradley Smith	5.00
Jacqueline Cass	5.00
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\$ 35.00

Summary State Head Taxes**Levy of 1967****Debits****Uncollected Jan. 1, 1968**

Head taxes \$	75.00
Added taxes	40.00
Penalties Collected	<u>7.50</u>

Total Debits	<u>\$ 122.50</u>
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Remittances to treasurer:

Head taxes \$	90.00
Penalties	7.50
Abatements	20.00
Uncollected	<u>5.00</u>

Total Credits	<u>\$ 122.50</u>
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Uncollected Head tax Dec. 31, 1968

Marlene Reynolds

"I hereby certify that the preceding Tax Collector's reports, as of December 31, 1968, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELIZABETH ADAIR
Tax Collector

Trust Funds

OF THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H. on DECEMBER 31, 1968.

Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance		Extended Balance	
			Beginning Year	Amount	During Year	End Year
Henry Forristall Trust Fund	Care of Cemetery Lot	Colebrook Guaranty Savings Bank	\$ 284.43	\$13.02	\$	297.45
Thomas W. Wallace Trust Fund	Care of Cemetery Lot	Colebrook Guaranty Savings Bank	1,345.23	68.54	\$26.00	1,387.77
Mary A. Walker Trust Fund	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	597.92	24.25		622.17
Mrs. Warren Marshall Trust Fund	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	98.30	3.98		102.28
Ellen Cleaveland Trust Fund	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	131.64	5.32		136.96

CERTIFICATE

January 7, 1969.

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.
LEW WALLACE and HARRY LANG, Trustees

Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Columbia, in the County of Coos, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To vote and bring in ballots for election of Town Officers to be elected by ballot for the Town of Columbia for the ensuing year.
2. To see if the Town will instruct its Selectmen to appoint all other Town Officers as required.
3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of the Poor for the year ensuing.
4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the Old Age, Blind and Disability Assistance for the year ensuing.
5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repairs of highways and bridges.
6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to take such action regarding plowing or otherwise keeping Winter Roads open in said Town for the year ensuing, as in their judgment seems conducive to the best interest of the Town, and appropriate money for the same.
7. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for Construction of Class V roads and raise and appropriate or set aside for said purpose the sum of \$559.73, the State to contribute the sum of \$3,731.54.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply any surplus remaining in their hands at the end of the fiscal year 1968 to the defraying of Town Charges for the fiscal year 1969 in order to effect a proportionate reduction of the amount to be raised by taxes.
9. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the upkeep of cemeteries
10. To see what action the Town will take with reference to hiring the Colebrook Fire Precinct and the Stratford Fire Department for the purpose of extinguishing fires in said Town, and in the event of favorable action to make necessary appropriation for the same.
11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur debts for temporary loans in anticipation of the taxes for the ensuing year, and to pay such debts out of tax money when the same is received.
12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town through Tax Collector's Deeds.
13. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for the support of Town charges for the ensuing year.
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise money for the purpose of uniting with the 45 other Towns in the White Mountains Region Association in publicizing and otherwise promoting the natural and commercial factors upon which the economy of the North Country is based.
15. To see if the Town will vote to contribute to the North Country Community Services, Inc., and appropriate for said purpose the sum of \$441.00.
16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the old Town Truck.
17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate as its contribution to the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital Association's cost of the new area hospital to be constructed at Colebrook, New Hampshire.
18. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of agents, auditors, Selectmen and all other officers, and ratify and confirm the same.

19. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 4th day of February
A. D., 1969.

LYNN PARKHURST
ELERY ADAIR
RAY PLACY, JR.
Selectmen of Columbia

A True Copy, Attest:
LYNN PARKHURST
ELERY ADAIR
RAY PLACY, JR.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, COOS, SS:

February 4, 1969.

We, Lynn Parkhurst, Elery Adair and Ray Placy, Jr., Selectmen of the Town of Columbia, hereby certify that we posted a true and attested copy of the within warrant, at the place of meeting specified and a like copy at a public place in said Town, and delivered to the Town Clerk on the same date the original warrant.

LYNN PARKHURST
ELERY ADAIR
RAY PLACY, JR.
Selectmen of Columbia

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, COOS, SS:

February 4, 1969.

Personally appeared Lynn Parkhurst, Elery Adair, and Ray Placy, Jr., and made oath that the above affidavit, by them subscribed is true.

Before me
ISABELLE M. PARKHURST
Notary Public

Auditors' Certificate

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and accounts of the Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Trustees of Trust Funds, and Selectmen of the Town of Columbia, and to the best of our ability, find them correctly computed and accounted for.

ANNIE FRIZZELL

THERESA PERRY

Auditors

1967-1968

School Report

REPORT OF COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Officers

Moderator
KENNETH PARKHURST

Clerk
ANNIE S. FRIZZELL

Treasurer
ANNIE S. FRIZZELL

Auditors

THERESA PERRY	MARY LOU PLACY
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School Board

ERWIN PARKHURST, Chm.	Term Expires 1969
STEWART RAINVILLE	Term Expires 1970
HAROLD PERRY	Term Expires 1971

Superintendent of Schools
RICHARD W. HISLOP

Business Administrator
BRUCE E. MOORE

COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Warrant
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Columbia qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, 1969, immediately following the Town District Meeting, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To bring in your ballots for the election of the School District Officers to be elected by ballot for the School District of Columbia for the ensuing year(s).
2. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Trust Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
3. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
4. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the district.
5. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept, on behalf of the District, any or all grants or offers for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State of New Hampshire and/or the United States.
6. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Columbia this 5th day of February, 1969.

ERWIN L. PARKHURST, Chairman
STEWART RAINVILLE
HAROLD PERRY

Report of the Superintendent

To the School Board and the Citizens of the School District of
Columbia

FOREWORD

With the allocated "grace period" granted by the State Board of Education, it has become especially important that Supervisory Union No. 7 analyze its school systems, determine their status, and plan for the direction that these schools will take in the immediate future.

These are not decisions that can or should be made by your appointed school personnel and elected administrative boards alone, for in the last analysis it is you, the voter and taxpayer, that will determine the course and direction that your schools will take.

These decisions become even more complex when considered in light of recent events. Our texts still relate on Columbus's three month voyage over the ocean blue, yet in the past few months three men retraced this historic voyage in fourteen minutes and thirty two seconds and repeated this fantastic accomplishment one hundred and thirty two times in eleven days. Even more recently man compounded this feat by traveling to the moon and observing sights never before seen by man. God's greatest mystery, the secret of life, is now revealed to man with his understanding and duplication of the DNA molecule. The moral, social, and religious implications of this scientific discovery are yet to be realized. More history and scientific advancement has been made the last forty years than during man's entire previous span on this planet. Man is no longer concerned with "why" and "how" but with "when" and "how soon".

We can not ignore that these events are having and will continue to have a tremendous impact on education and society, and we are fortunate that we have time to meet this challenge. With the advent of elementary school standards, goals and long range plans will have to be examined and re-examined. What educational services and needs that can or can not be realistically provided

must be determined with the greatest thought and community effort. Whether we can afford to prepare our children for a jet and space age orientated society or whether we can afford not to is a decision that each of us will be involved in making.

To meet this challenge through individual community planning and action, and if need be, through inter-community planning and sharing, can and will result in the assurance of maintaining our excellent educational standards and schools and preparing our youngsters for a realistic future.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN E. DEHL

Acting Superintendent
of Schools

School Health

The objectives of a school health program are to perform the necessary functions to maintain and promote good health of the pupils in our schools.

Services performed include: pre-school clinics every spring for in-coming first graders; checking heights and weights, vision and hearing yearly; physical examinations for all students in grades 4, 8, 11 and athletics; immunizations as necessary; T B skin tests as recommended by the state T B Association and continuous supervision of general health.

January through April, a dental health clinic sponsored by the local towns and the state in what is called a Matching Fund Program, was held in Groveton one morning a week. Due to transportation difficulties and cancellations from weather conditions, only twenty-two youngsters from the whole district were treated this year.

We were fortunate to have a dental hygienist from the state department of Dental Health come and visit all the elementary schools in the area. She gave us interesting instruction in the ways of achieving and maintaining good dental health.

Generally, the overall program of school health in this area is adequate, but there is always chance for improvement. It is hoped that by working together, these improvements can be realized to the mutual benefit of our students and the community as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY L. DUCRET, R. N.

VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

Vocational Agriculture is a four year program at Colebrook Academy. Beginning with the ninth grade, students in the program receive introductory instruction informing them of basic agriculture and opportunities available in that field. Second year students are instructed in the basic principles of agricultural sciences involving shop, laboratory, and field trips. The objective of the first two years is to give the student an understanding of the economic importance of agriculture and a chance to learn of careers that the industry offers.

Third and fourth year students receive specialized instruction in dairy and forestry and are required to perform practical work in both fields. In addition, fourth year students are also required to take a course in farm mechanics to develop skills ranging from woodworking to engine rebuilding. A 40 acre school woodlot also provides an area for third and fourth year students to do practical work in forestry and sugar bush management.

Since this is a year round program all students are required to do supervised summer placement work in a field of their choice and to keep records of the same.

The local chapter of the Future Farmers of America has been active since 1931. This is an intra-curricula organization that teaches students leadership, good citizenship through association, and development of skills through field and judging trips. The chapter also sends delegates to the national FFA conventions where skills are further displayed and more skills obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT L. BURRILL

Vocational Agriculture
Instructor

Budget

The School Board has requested for its budget an appropriation of \$61,886.00 for fiscal year 1969-70. A sum of \$28,900.00 has been determined as the estimated income, leaving a balance of \$32,986.00 to be appropriated through taxes. This represents as of 26.6% in comparison to the current fiscal year.

The principal reason for said increase is contributed to the higher cost of education. Over the past two years the schools in the surrounding area have seen a sharp increase in their per pupil expenditure. Therefore the schools are compelled to raise their tuition rates to keep in line with their per pupil expenditure. Additional increase is due to an increase in Columbia's apportionment to the Supervisory Union costs.

Financial Report

1967 – 1968

Receipts

State of N. H., Intellectually Retarded Aid	\$ 336.73
Treas., State of N. H., Dental Refund	71.50
Edwin Frizzell, Refund on Insurance	80.90
State of N. H., Foundation Aid	22,642.76
State of N. H., Sweepstakes	996.33
George M. Stevens, Refund on Ins.	2.00
J. Wall, Sale of Church School	700.00
W. Rainville, Sale of Desks	16.00
Town of Columbia, Appropriation	28,755.27
Total Net Receipts	\$53,601.49
Cash on hand July 1, 1967	2,245.76
Grand total net receipts	\$55,847.25

EXPENDITURES

	1967-68 Budget	Total Spent	Balance June 30
Administration:			
Salary District Off. . . \$	300.00	\$ 290.00	\$ 10.00
Contracted Services . .	40.00		40.00
Other Expenses	210.00	222.36	12.36
Health:			
Salaries	250.00	250.00	
Other Expenses	30.00	124.50	-94.50
Pupil Transportation:			
Contracted Services . .	7,380.00	7,380.00	
Fixed Charges:			
*State Employment Ret.	16.00		16.00
F. I. C. A.	49.00	5.28	43.72
Insurance	150.00	87.00	63.00
Outgoing Transfer Accounts, In-State:			
Tuition - High	21,100.00	17,264.91	3,835.09
Tuition - Elementary . .	22,100.00	21,770.13	329.87
Supervisory Union Ex.	963.00	963.00	
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	\$52,588.00	\$48,357.18	\$ 4,230.82
Grand Total Net Receipts			\$55,847.25
Less Expenditures			48,357.18
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Balance on hand June 30, 1968			\$ 7,490.07

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968 and find them correct in all respects.

THERESA PERRY

MARY LOU PLACY

June 30, 1968

Auditors

Detailed Expenditures

1967-1968

ADMINISTRATION:

Salaries of District Officers:

Annie Frizzell, Treasurer	\$ 60.00
Ray W. Placey, Jr., School Board	60.00
Erwin Parkhurst, School Board	60.00
Stewart Rainville, School Board	60.00
Erwin Parkhurst, Census	20.00
Winnie Rainville, Census	20.00
Kenneth Parkhurst, Moderator	5.00
Annie Frizzell, Clerk	5.00

\$290.00

Other Expenses:

Isabelle Parkhurst, Work on deeds	15.00
News & Sentinel, Bid Notices	33.68
Richard Hislop, Travel & Postage	17.59
A. H. Rice, Student Record Forms	1.79
Edson C. Eastman Co., Cash Book, Treas. Pads, Vouchers	25.14
Supervisory Union, Reimbursement Telephone	9.56
Frederick J. Harrigan, Legal	40.00
Jason Boynton, Treas., NHSBA	40.00
Union Leader Corporation, Advertising	39.60

\$222.36

Health:

Salary, Nurse	\$250.00
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Other Expenses:

Dr. Mertrude Norris, Physicals	1.00
Drs. Parsons & Gifford, Physicals	24.00
Dr. Leo Poirier, Physicals	2.00
Treas., State of N. H., Dental Fund	97.50

\$374.50

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION:**Contracted Services:**

Willard F. Nugent	\$ 2,880.00
Stewart Rainville	4,500.00
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	\$ 7,380.00

FIXED CHARGES:

F. I. C. A., Treas., State of N. H.,	\$ 5.28
Insurance, Geo. M. Stevens	87.00

OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS, IN-STATE:**Tuition:**

	Elem.	High
Colebrook School District	\$20,652.19	\$12,896.86
Stratford School District	1,117.94	4,368.05
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	\$21,770.13	\$17,264.91

Supervisory Union Expenses:

Superintendent's Salary	\$ 301.25
Superintendent's Travel	50.00
Business Administrator's Salary	320.00
Business Administrator's Travel	20.00
Secretary's Salary	185.00
Retirement and FICA	54.53
Operating Expenses	32.22
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	\$ 963.00
TOTAL	\$48,357.18

Superintendent's Salary:

In accordance with the laws of 1961, chapter 189, Section 48, breakdown of the total amount paid to the Superintendent and Business Administrator by the State and respective school districts follows:

	Salary	Travel	Total
State of N. H.	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00
Colebrook	3,133.00	\$ 520.00	3,653.00
Columbia	301.25	50.00	351.25
Clarksville	301.25	50.00	351.25
Pittsburg	1,446.00	240.00	1,686.00
Stewartstown	843.50	140.00	983.50
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	\$11,025.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$12,025.00
Business Administrator:			
Colebrook	3,328.00	208.00	3,536.00
Columbia	320.00	20.00	340.00
Clarksville	320.00	20.00	340.00
Pittsburg	1,536.00	96.00	1,632.00
Stewartstown	896.00	56.00	952.00
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	\$ 6,400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 6,800.00

BUDGET FOR 1969-1970

(Compared with the Budget of
1968-69 and Expenditures of 1967-68)

	Amount Spent 1967-68	Budget 1968-69	Proposed Budget 1969-70
Administration:			
Salaries of Dist. Off. \$	356.20	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Contracted Services		40.00	40.00
Other Expenses	125.77	210.00	140.00
Instruction:			
Other Expenses	45.78		
Health Services:			
Salaries	250.00	196.00	510.00
Other Expenses	102.50	30.00	30.00
Pupil Transportation:			
Contracted Services	7,380.00	7,380.00	7,380.00
Operation of Plant:			
Utilities, Except Heat	6.61		
Fixed Charges:			
*State Employ. Retire.		20.00	
F. I. C. A	5.28	49.00	20.00
Insurance	4.10	150.00	
Outgoing Transfer Accounts, In-State:			
Tuition-High	17,264.91	21,820.00	24,120.00
Tuition-Elem.	21,770.13	22,516.00	26,948.00
Superv. Union Ex.	963.00	890.00	2,398.00
	<u>\$48,274.28</u>	<u>\$53,601.00</u>	<u>\$61,886.00</u>

* The starred items are required by law to be raised as determined by the proper authorities. A relationship which takes into consideration school membership and assessed valuation determines the proportionate share of the salaries paid by such district for personnel employed by the supervisory union.

Estimated Income 1969-70

Balance	\$ 5,000.00
Sweepstakes	400.00
Foundation Aid	22,000.00
Additional State Aid	1,500.00
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Total Estimated Income	28,900.00
School Board's Budget	61,886.00
Requested Appropriation	\$32,986.00

Transportation 1968-69

Stewart Rainville	\$10.00 per day	35 Pupils	43.8 miles/day
Stewart Rainville	14.00	11 "	38.
Willard Nugent	16.00	69 "	42.

Tuition Pupils and Rates 1968-69

Colebrook Elementary	65 Pupils	\$290.00
Colebrook Academy	28 "	515.00
Stratford Elementary	4 "	440.00
Stratford High	6 "	637.00

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968.

April 25, 1968	James David Reynolds	W. Stewartstown, N. H.	John H. Reynolds	Marlene Fournier
August 6, 1968	Brian Neil Peterson	W. Stewartstown, N. H.	Frederick Peterson	Donna Ball

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968.

March	5	Ray William Placy	83	Columbia, N. H.	William Placy	Cordelia Cummings
July	1	Catherine R. Shallow	62	Stewartstown, N. H.	Philip Riley	Mary Henn
July	17	Irvin B. Blodgett	74	Columbia, N. H.	Fred Blodgett	Julia Barnett
Sept.	29	Katheryn Harding	42	Lancaster, N. H.	Margen Woodard	Myrtle Giroux
Nov.	11	Myron L. Holden	76	Columbia, N. H.	Freeman Holden	Nora Crawford

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom & Bride	Age	Place of Residence	Name of Parents
April 20	Colebrook, N. H.	Yvon C. Champagne	20	Maynard, Mass.	Raymond Champagne Fernande Brochu
		Lorraine E. Sweatt	17	Columbia, N. H.	Sylvan Sweatt Evangeline Hamel
June 22	No. Stratford, N. H.	Norman R. Fogg	23	Columbia, N. H.	Alton Fogg Dorothy Peabody
		Nancy A. Chapple	18	Columbia, N. H.	Francis Chapple Mary Washburn
June 29	No. Stratford, N. H.	David W. McKinnon	20	Columbia, N. H.	William McKinnon Theresa Beandry
		Suzanne P. Flanders	17	Columbia, N. H.	Clayton Flanders Thelma Phillips
July 6	Columbia, N. H.	Michael A. Bennett	20	Columbia, N. H.	Aaron Bennett Dolena Reynolds
		Josephine A. Goodale	21	Stratford, N. H.	Roy Goodale Blanche Hand
July 20	Colebrook, N. H.	Roger A. DeBlois	22	Columbia, N. H.	Paul DeBlois Fernande Bergeron
		Robin G. Jondro	18	Colebrook, N. H.	Roland Jondro Bertina Shallow
Oct. 26	Colebrook, N. H.	Roland C. LaFoe	29	Lemington, Vt.	Clyde LaFoe Ethel Gray
		Irene M. Fournier	21	Columbia, N. H.	Lawrence Fournier Alma Duplessis

Nov. 2	Colebrook, N. H.	Dennis R. LaPerle	20	Columbia, N. H.	Roland LaPerle Leona Brown Stewart Rainville Winnie Hibbard Francis Chapple Mary Washburn Ernest Drew Margaret Haynes Herbert Hurd Clide Kimbrough Wesley Hartwell Beulah Jackson
Nov. 23	No. Stratford	Barbara J. Rainville James H. Chapple	18 20	Columbia, N. H. Columbia, N. H.	
Dec. 18	No. Stratford	Gail A. Drew Jack A. Hurd Ramona J. Hartwell	18 27 18	Stratford, N. H. Bloomfield, Vt. Columbia, N. H.	

